

## Little Things Can Make a Big Difference

I once had an acquaintance in college who was different in one small respect from anyone else I knew back then or have ever known since. You might ask, what was so very special about this person? Well, he wasn't particularly religious, and he posted playboy pictures on the wall of his dorm room, which I thought was quite immoral. Here's why I never forgot him. Every once in a while he would do something nice for one of us, without being asked. He would make someone's bed, or clean up someone's space in their dorm room, or present one of us with a small, thoughtful gift. I almost never think about anyone else I knew during my four years of living in that college dormitory, but I have never forgotten him.

Hudson Taylor, a great man of God and founder of the China Inland Mission, once said, "*A little thing is a little thing, but faithfulness in little things is a great thing.*" In the words of Rick Warren, "*small tasks often show a big heart.*" Jesus said, in Luke 16:10, that "*whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with very much.*"

When you find yourself heartsick, depressed or discouraged, take time to do a small favor for someone else who could use a lift. See if it doesn't lift and enlarge your own heart as well.